

Abstract

An adhesively attached armed suture has a needle with a suture hole formed therein. The suture has an end thereof inserted into the suture hole and is adhesively bonded therein. The adhesive has a viscosity when uncured permitting the suture to be inserted into the suture hole, and preferably has a low viscosity to facilitate easy insertion. A UV-curing adhesive may be of low viscosity and be rapidly cured to more rapidly attach the suture and needle. A "bottle-shaped" suture hole may be utilized to enhance the interlocking between the adhesive and the needle.

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